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Do you have a few minutes today to touch base on this? I'm fairly open this morning but have some meetings starting at 2.

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Dear William and Jeremy,

I hope you are both well. As you know, SELC, our clients Clean Air Carolina and Sound Rivers, and a number of other groups including the NC Justice Center, Wake Up Wake County, the NC Conservation Network, the League of Conservation Voters, the Center for Biological Diversity and Defenders of Wildlife have all raised significant concerns about the proposed \$2.2 billion expansion of the 540 loop south of Raleigh.

We have had a couple of meetings with NCDOT on this topic and frankly are none the wiser as to why this project with its unprecedented expense and environmental impact has been identified as a priority by this administration. NCDOT is not only pursuing the project but is actively accelerating it at breakneck speed. To us, this is poor fiscal decision and certainly not in keeping with Governor Cooper's pledge to abide by the Paris Climate Accord.

As such, I am reaching out to the two of you to ask for a meeting to discuss the project further. I'd be happy to include any other members of the environmental and progressive communities that you think should be a part of the conversation.

I know your time is valuable and limited, but it would be hard for me to overstate how concerned we are about this project. In terms of direct environmental impact the project is far more destructive than the ACP, for example.

Thank you for your consideration.

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